PRESENT—*cont.*

Sivasubrahmanya Ayyar, Mr. K. S.
Smith, Mr. J. M.
Sreshta, Mr. M. S.
Srinivasa Ayyangar, Mr. T. C.
Srinivasan, Rao Bahadur R.
Sriramulu, Mr. G.
Subbarayan, Dr. P.
Subrahmanya Bhatt, Mr. U. C.
Sundara Rao Nayudu, Mr. T.
Syed Tajuddin Sahib Bahadur, Khan Sahib.
Thangal, Mr. P. M.
Thomas, Mr. Daniel.
Uzielli, C.I.E., I.C.S., Mr. H. R.
Vasudeva Pillai, Mr. V. G.
Vedachala Mudaliyar, Mr. M.
Venugopal Nayudu, Rao Bahadur R. K.
Wright, Sir William.
Yakub Hasan Sahib Bahadur.
Zamindar of Bodinayakkanur, The.
Zamindar of Kirlampudi, The.
Zamindar of Mirzapuram, The.

I.—SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBER.

Mr. G. F. F. Foulkes was sworn in.

II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Administration of Justice

Publication of the list of Public Prosecutors in the Presidency.

* 398 *Q.*—Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased—

(i) to place on the table a list of Public Prosecutors in the Presidency showing also the communities to which they belong and their period of service; and

(ii) to state since how many terms each of them has been continuing as Public Prosecutor?

A.—A statement [a] containing the information required is placed on the table of the House.

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"Is it not a fact that there is a Government Order that the Government should not appoint the same Prosecutor for more than three terms?"

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—"No, Sir; the term is not fixed like that, though it is stated that frequent renewals ought to be deprecated."

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—"Is not the word 'frequent' defined? What is the practice?"

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—"The practice has been to appoint a person for not more than two or three terms generally."

Mr. V. T. Arasu:—"From the list given in the appendix, I find that the same gentlemen have been appointed for the fourth time in succession. May I know from the hon. Gentleman whether there are special reasons why these people have been appointed for the fourth time?"

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—"Yes; there are special reasons."

[a] Printed as Appendix 1 on page 503 infra.

Mr. V. T. Arasu:—" May I know them? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" Each case is considered on its merits; the Collector has recommended the case; there are various other reasons."

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—" What is the special reason in the case of the Vizagapatam Public Prosecutor? "

Mr. G. R. Premayya:—" May I know why the gentleman at Madura has been appointed for the sixth time? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" That was because there were some suits in his hands at the time, concerning the Periyar Irrigation scheme; they were very important cases and the Collector recommended that it would be better if they should be in his hands until the cases were disposed of."

Mr. T. C. Srinivasa Ayyangar:—" If a man has done the work of the Public Prosecutor and Government Pleader for a number of years, does it disqualify him from continuing to be in the same appointment after the third term? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" There is nothing disqualifying; the policy of the Government is to give opportunities for others."

Sriman M. G. Patnaik Mahasayo:—" What about the Vizagapatam Public Prosecutor? Why is he continued? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. Reddi Nayudu:—" It is said that he is a particularly good man and that it is not possible to get an equally good man."

Cinchona

Sale of quinine through post offices.

* 399 *Q.*—Mr. M. B. Rangaswami Reddi: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the sale of quinine in post offices has been stopped;

(*b*) whether the Government propose to renew the practice of selling quinine in post offices;

(*c*) whether there is any difference in prices in the supply of quinine to the Government hospitals and to the rural dispensaries, and if so, the difference of the price per pound; and

(*d*) whether the quinine factory is seasonal or perennial—if seasonal, for how many months in a year?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) It is a perennial factory.